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E.O 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SREF, JA  
SUBJECT: JAPANESE ATTITUDE TOWARD INDOCHINESE REFUGEES

REF: (A) STATE 83334 (B) TOKYO 4207 (C) TOKYO 1318

1. UNHCR REP (MISE) HERE TOLD CONSOFF NY TIMES ARTICLE, CITED PARAS. 1 AND 2 REFTEL (A), IS ERRONEOUS REPEAT ERRONEOUS. HE SAID GOJ HAS MADE NO CHANGES IN POLICY TO GRANT TEMPORARY STATUS TO INDOCHINESE BOAT CASE REFUGEES. ON BEHALF UNHCR, HE PROVIDES TO GOJ NOTE OF ASSURANCE THAT WELFARE AND RESETTLEMENT OF ALL REFUGEES WILL BE UNDERTAKEN BY UNHCR TOKYO OFFICE.

2. DURING CALL ON DIRECTOR GENERAL, BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION, JUSTICE MINISTRY, DIRGEN YOSHIDA NAGAO CONFIRMED UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE'S STATEMENT ABOVE. HE ELABORATED THAT 45 OF 48 VESSELS OF VARIOUS NATIONAL REGISTRIES CARRYING BOAT CASE REFUGEES HAD TO DATE BEEN PERMITTED TO DISEMBARK REFUGEES. PERMISSION ON REMAINING THREE VESSELS (MALAYSIAN, GREEK, AND LIBERIAN) HAD BEEN PENDING RESPONSE TO RESPECTIVE EMBASSIES' TELEGRAPHIC QUERIES OF HOME GOVERNMENTS WHEN SHIPS, AFTER EACH HAVING DOCKED IN  
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JAPAN ABOUT ONE WEEK, DEPARTED FOR NEXT DESTINATIONS STILL CARRYING REFUGEES AND WHILE DISCUSSIONS WITH GOJ STILL NOT CONCLUDED. YOSHIDA OBSERVED THAT DURING EARLY PERIOD OF BOAT CASE LANDINGS, JAPAN HAD NOT YET SET UP FACILITIES TO RECEIVE AND HOUSE REFUGEES.

3. INFORMATION REQUESTED REFTEL (A) PARA 3, ALREADY

REPORTED REFELS (B) AND (C). JAPANESE YEN CONTRIBUTION  
TO UNHCR UNCHANGED BUT, BECAUSE OF CONTINUING DOLLAR  
DEVALUATION, NOW STANDS AT \$1.77 MILLION. THIS GOJ  
CONTRIBUTION RANKS FOURTH (FOLLOWING US, UK, AND NORWAY)  
ACCORDING TO UNHCR TOKYO. MANSFIELD

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